MINUTES ETZ JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING July 25, 2019

Chairman Jeff Dorschner called the meeting to order at 7:00pm in the Crivitz Village Hall.

Roll Call:

Members present:

Jeff Dorschner

Jim Stradal

Stewart Swanson

Mike Kudick

Kurt Kostuch

Members absent:

Amy Grandaw

Kevin Solway

Public present:

Village Atty Dick Boren

Andrew Aslesen, WI Rural Water Association

Roberta Walls, Environmental Assistance Coordinator, WI

Department of Natural Resources

Also those who signed in on the attached list

Chairman Dorschner declared a quorum present for the meeting.

- 1. **Adoption of Agenda**: Motion by Mike Kudick, seconded by Jim Stradal, to adopt the agenda as presented. Vote: Ayes: 4. Motion carried.
- 2. **Minutes Approval**: Motion by Jeff Dorschner, seconded by Jim Stradal, to approve the minutes of the meeting of April 18, 2019. Vote: Ayes: 6. Motion carried.
- 3. **Presentation by Andrew Aslesen, WI Rural Water Association:** Chairman Jeff Dorschner introduced Andrew Aslesen. Andrew began by explaining that part of his job with the WI Rural Water Association was to provide training and technical assistance to water utilities and waste water utilities all around the State of Wisconsin. His main role is to do Wellhead Protection plans and he was called to help the Village of Crivitz update the Wellhead Protection plan that had been done previously.

Andrew presented an overview of the Village of Crivitz Wellhead Protection Plan for Wells #1, #2 & #2 updated May 21, 2019, which included the following details:

Wellhead protection regulates and restricts land use within a defined area. Land use and activities in the area that could possibly contaminate groundwater, and in the case of Crivitz, the municipal water supply, are identified and regulated. The goal of wellhead protection is to promote the public health, safety and general welfare of residents.

The eastern Village well, which is 56' deep, is offline but still active. The western Village wells are 172' deep and 180' deep and both are active. Water is supplied to all three wells from the northwest. Current potential sources of contamination include a few low-density septic systems.

An overview of how water moves in the area contributing to and around a well was given.

There would be no alternative water supply if there were to be problems caused by an industrial sand mine in the area. Diesel fuel and hydraulic fuel leakage from tanks are also possibilities.

The WDNR requires the Village to test the water quality from the wells on a regular basis to protect the water supply.

- 4. Presentation by Roberta Walls, Environmental Assistance Coordinator, WI
 Department of Natural Resources: Chairman Jeff Dorschner introduced Roberta Walls.
 A PowerPoint presentation was passed out to the members and to the public which outlined some non-metallic mining sand uses, the current number of industrial sand mines in the state whether active or non-active, WDNR Permitting & Compliance, Air Program, including Permits and Particulate Matter (PM) Monitoring Data, Water Programs, including High-Capacity Wells/ Groundwater, Private/Public Drinking Water, Water Regulation, Wetland Regulations and Stormwater/Wastewater and Environmental Compliance.
- 5. Discussion & Possible Action on Proposed Wellhead Protection Overlay District Ordinance: Bypassed
- 6. Discussion & Possible Action on Proposed Groundwater Protection Regulations for Remainder of ETZ Boundary: Bypassed
- 7. Public Input & Questions from the Floor: Question: On the outline in yellow (Wellhead Protection Area by Andrew Aslesen), the proposed mine is in that area; do you think drilling down to bedrock would have a negative effect on the water? Rumor was that some of the blasting would take place under water.

Andrew's Answer: If you potentially expose that rock to air, some of the metals and minerals in the rock could get flushed into the water supply.

Question: How much water does the Village use from the two wells?

Andrew's Answer: 140,000 gallons per day.

Question: Does the mine have silica dust in it?

Andrew's Answer: Yes. A member of the public shared that they had worked with silica dust and had to wear a mask and that it can be cancerous.

Question: You don't know what's under the Bartkowski land. What are you seriously looking at? Is there going to be a huge cavern under the property when they are done? Andrew's Answer: It sounds like they are done test-boring. They might think they can do it without blasting. Without seeing their test-borings we don't know. Establishing a baseline for what your water quality is, is important.

Question: Who determined that forfeitures collected were to go to the education fund? Why is it not returned to the community where the mine is at?

Roberta's Answer: Because the state is initiating and leading the forfeitures in those situations. The agency is not to benefit from the forfeitures. If there are any violations at the county and local level there are forfeitures that can be applied and those will be returned to the county or local municipality.

Question: Regarding PM 2.5 and PM 10, do you have any statistics on the environmental impact on wildlife or trees?

Roberta's Answer: PM 2.5 is captured along with PM 10 monitoring. PM 2.5 studies have had very good quality control measures and have demonstrated that the level of PM 2.5 is far below the current air quality standard the level of PM 2.5 for that type of industry.

There has been no evidence brought forward that supports that damage has been done.

Question: What is the safe zone for the PM 10 particle since it can travel long distances? Roberta's Answer: PM 10 is not a regional pollutant but the PM 2.5 is. PM 10 settles out rather quickly in ambient air quality conditions.

Question: What happens if a truck is hauling the sand and is traveling at a fast speed? Roberta's Answer: Local patrols would have to monitor truck traffic. Many local patrols would require the covering of trucks to prevent the sand from blowing in the wind as it travels down the road.

Question: Is there a way to find out how the companies protect their employees and what protocols are in place for their protection?

Roberta's Answer: The Mine Safety and Health Administration oversees that.

Question: Only 10% of mines are monitored?

Roberta's Answer: Correct. We had more facilities that had been monitored earlier on and because of their data set showing low level of concentrations, they requested a variance to discontinue monitoring and they were granted that because of the low levels.

Question: Who paid for the studies?

Roberta's Answer: Some have been University driven.

Question: If the public signs a petition, will the public be able to sway the decision for issuing permits?

Roberta's Answer: When it comes to the WDNR permitting, we do have some opportunity for public comment for some of our permits depending if the permit is county level or local level.

Question: In regard to the Extraterritorial Zoning, why do you want to do that and why do you not have that already?

Chairman Jeff Dorschner's Answer: The whole point of the ETZ Zoning is that we have to have a combined effort with the Town of Stephenson and the Village of Crivitz and what we already passed as a committee is wellhead protection. The work we have remaining to do on that is making this wellhead protection fit our specific needs. Village Attorney Dick Boren added that Village ordinances are only enforceable in the Village and the wells are in the township so the reason for the Extraterritorial Zoning would be to have a wellhead protection overlay district in the town which would be enforceable by the Village ordinances.

Question: Is there anyone who can block a permit?

Roberta's Answer: At the department's level probably not. If they can demonstrate that they meet the state standards for each of their applications, we have no choice but to issue them.

- 8. **Confirm next meeting**: Thursday, August 22nd at 7:00pm at the Crivitz Village Hall.
- 9. **Adjourn**: Motion by Stew Swanson, seconded by Mike Kudick, to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm. Vote: Ayes: 4. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Kudick

Chair

Barbara Uhl

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer, Village of Crivitz

Attachments:

Public Sign-in Sheet

Roberta Davis, WDNR - Power Point presentation

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Overview of WDNR Compliance Authorities **Industrial Sand Mining**

Non-Metallic Mining Coordinator Roberta Walls July 25th, 2019

Industrial Sand Mining

128 92 32 Total Number of Industrial Sand Facilities (Mines, Processing & Rail Loading) Number of Facilities Reclaimed/In Process of Final Reclamation Number of Inactive Facilities Number of Active Facilities

Non-metallic Mining in WI

- NMM has been in WI for more than 100
- ~3000 NMMs in WI
- Uses for NMM sand materials
 - Animal bedding
- Building materials
- Cranberry operations
 - Foundry sand
 - Glass
- Transportation needs

Proppants -

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Excluded from DNR's Regulatory Authority

Staff Resources

Air Management Program

- Noise
- Light Pollution
- Blasting, Vibration
- Zoning, Land Use

- Stormwater & Water Regulation / Zoning

Water Program

Other Staff contribute

County Staff

- County reclamation staff / Zoning - Land

Management

- Road Maintenance Issues
- Employee Safety on Site
- Mine Safety and Health Association (MSHA)
- Regulatory Authority
- Dictates Monitoring Requirements for Mine Site Workers
- Occupational Safety and Health Association (OSHA)

Industrial Operations such as Drying Facilities

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Air Permits

Construction Permit

- Issued to cover new or modified pieces of equipment
 - Dust Control Plans

Air Program

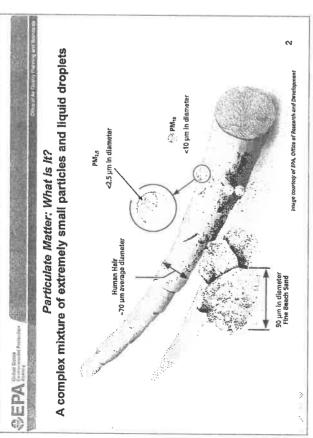
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Operations Permit

 Issued to cover all significant emission units operations and activities at an entire facility

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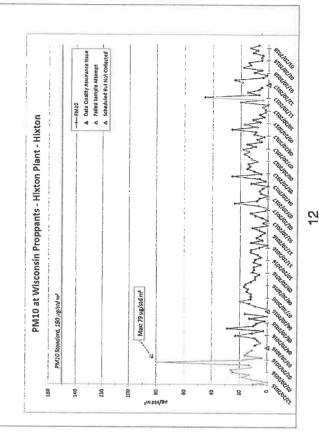
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PM Monitoring Data

Sampling Days Completed At Mining Facilities

- Total of 5,341 valid samples through 1st Quarter, 2019.
 - 12 PM10 monitors at 11 facilities
- The average concentration 12.4 mg/cubic meter.
- Permit required monitoring at industrial sand mines is for PM10. Mechanical processes typically generate larger particles such as PM10.
 - daily PM10 NAAQS, occurred in April 2015. Farming - The highest value was 168 ug/std m3, 112% of activity near sampler may have contributed.

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PM Monitoring Data

PM2.5

- Regional pollutant that travels long distances
- Product of combustion and secondary formation (coal, wood, gasoline)

Ambient Air Monitor for PM2.5

- Department-operated monitor located in Eau Claire
- PM 2.5 standard has not been exceeded

• Website:

//dnr.wi.gov/topic/mines/silica.html

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High Capacity Wells / Groundwater

High Capacity Wells

- Statutory Definition: Any well on a property with a cumulative capacity to withdraw more than 100,000 gpd (70gpm)
 - Water Use
- Potential impacts to groundwater resources.

ISM specific concerns

- Borehole abandonment
 - Secondary impacts



Water Programs

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Private / Public Drinking Water

Water Supply

- Quantity and Quality

On-Site Wells

- Public vs Private

Water Regulation

Project Identification

- Proximity to Navigable Waters
- Threatened and Endangered Resources, Cultural Resources

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- Avoidance, extent of impacts, minimize

Project Identification

- General and Individual Permits Available

- Practicable Alternatives Analysis

Wetland Mitigation

Wetland Delineation

Wetland Regulations

- Must be completed and verified during growing season

- Wetlands are surface waters, water quality standards

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Discharges to Wetlands

- General Permits and Individual Permits available

NR340 – NMM and Reclamation associated with waterways

- Bonding and Financial Assurance of ponds

Water Quality Standards

 Permits are based on how the work will ensure water quality standards.

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Stormwater / Wastewater

General Permit

- Addresses stormwater and wastewater.
- Project review for impacts to Threatened and Endangered Species, Cultural Resources, and Water resources

Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan

Required

Monitoring

- Stormwater discharges
- Wastewater discharges
 Surface water/Groundwater
 - Chemical Additives

Environmental Compliance

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Enforcement Considerations

Enforcement Process – Stepped Approach

- Notice of Noncompliance (NON)

- Notice of Violation (NOV)

- Enforcement Conference (EC)

- Citation

- Referral to the Department of Justice

Potential Ramification of a Violation

Dependent Upon Violation and Severity

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Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation

Reclamation

- County Programs

- Annexation and Local Programs

Types of Proposed Reclamation

- Large (1,000+ Acre) Open Sites

 Shoreland and Floodplain Zoning - Contemporaneous Reclamation

Setbacks

- Flood evaluation

Enforcement Action Data

Advanced Enforcement Actions

Actions from 2011 to Date:

■ 32 - Notice of Violation / Enforcement Conference

■ 5 - Received Citations

■ 7 - Referrals to DOJ

- Forfeltures Range from \$16,000 to \$200,000

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